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**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the paragraph at page 7, lines 25-29 in the following manner:

In said transmission 1, when shifting operation to the reverse stage is carried out, as shown in FIG. 1, ~~[[the]]~~ a shift lever 2b ~~(not shown in FIGS.)~~ is first select-operated toward the reverse side to select-slide said actuator rod 3 to the reverse position, then engages said reverse shifter 4 carried on said actuator rod 3 with said reverse bracket 5 carried on said reverse rod 6.